

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE

## Governor of the State of Texas

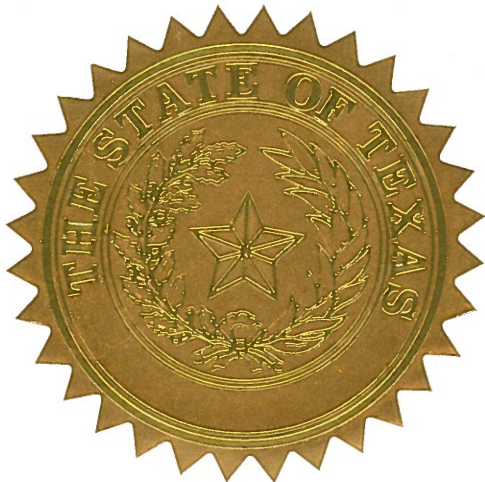
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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:


Pursuant to Article IV, Section 14, of the Texas Constitution, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby disapprove of and veto House Bill No. 3025 as passed by the Eighty-Fifth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, because of the following objections:

House Bill 3025 would have authorized a groundwater district to determine when a landowner's well has deteriorated and to compel the landowner to repair the deteriorated well to the district's satisfaction. If the landowner does not do so within ten days, the bill authorizes the water district to enter the landowner's land, repair the well, and send the landowner the bill. This would give groundwater districts greater discretion to infringe on private property rights and impose costs on landowners. The legitimate need to repair deteriorated wells should be addressed in a way that provides more protections for landowners.

Since the Eighty-Fifth Texas Legislature, Regular Session, by its adjournment has prevented the return of this bill, I am filing these objections in the office of the Secretary of State and giving notice thereof by this public proclamation according to the aforementioned constitutional provision.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have signed my name officially and caused the Seal of the State to be affixed hereto at Austin, this 15th day of June, 2017.

  
GREG ABBOTT  
Governor of Texas

ATTESTED BY:



ROLANDO B. PABLOS  
Secretary of State

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